DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY



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APVR-WPC (15-1a) 24 January 2003

MEMORANDUM FOR SEE DISTRIBUTION

SUBJECT: Community Action Council Minutes, 24 January 2003 Meeting

- 1. The Community Action Council held the regular monthly meeting on 24 January 2003, 1030, Arctic Oasis Club, Fort Wainwright, Alaska.
- 2. The meeting was called to order at 1030 by LTC Bruzese, Chairperson. Flyers from various agencies were provided at the back table.
- 3. Special Recognition: Terry Strle, United Way, presented various CFC awards to LTC Bruzese, the top military unit, and the outstanding key workers.
- 4. New Business by Post Staff/Agencies Announcements:
- a. DPTSM: The next CACs are 21 Feb 03, 1030, Youth Center; 21 Mar 03, 1030, LFC; and Monday, 21 Apr 03, 1030, LFC. The Quarterly Retirement Ceremony is 24 Jan 03, 1400, LFC. The DPTSM Ceremonies Office is responsible for scheduling use of the Post Headquarters Parade Field; the NCO may be reached at 353-9758. The Air Force Thunderbirds will do an Air Show on 25 Jun 03.
- b. DCA: Call 353-7053 to see if the ski hill is open; it closes at -20. Cross-country skis are available for rent at the Golf Course. There have been trails laid at the Golf Course for cross-country skiing and we hope to lay more. You may ski out there anytime. No snowmachines, ORRVs, or marching troops on the trails, please. Flyers available.
- (1) Bowling Center: The annual Big Brother/Big Sister bowling event is 22 Feb 03, 1000-1700; call 452-8118 for more information.
- (2) AFTB: Our classes are free; childcare for those attending our classes is free. We are looking for more spouses to come to the AFTB training. Flyers available.
- (3) YS: There will be a dance for high schoolers on Valentine's Day. Thank you to the MAC Credit Union for exhibiting the youth's fine arts. The next arts event for the youth is the photo contest. On Saturday afternoons at 1600 we have a tech workshop in our computer lab; send your youth over to check it out. Flyers available.

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(4) YESS: We are looking for Arctic Light parents to volunteer to be on the committee for the re-drawing of the Arctic Light boundaries.

- (5) SAS: We have open recreation weekly for the children and it's free; call SAS for more information. We are looking for parent volunteers to help with the 4H Clubs. We are up for re-accreditation. The next Parent Advisory Council meeting is 12 Mar 03, 1730.
- (6) Outreach Services: We are in the process of re-doing the patronage fees; please come in to see us if you have not been in yet to re-validate your fees. We need volunteers to help out in many different places in our programs. Romp 'N Stomp is still on-going; we have room for more children. Flyer available on the home alone policy.
- (7) CYS Sports and Fitness: Registration for indoor soccer is 1 Feb 3 Mar 03; 5-18 years of age. Teams will be co-ed. Season will run from 17 Mar 17 May 03. Need volunteer coaches.
- c. DPW: New dryer vents for quarters have been ordered; we'll notify the residents when the vents come in.
- d. PMO: Badger and Trainor Gates will be closed on training holidays. However, Trainor Gate will be opened in the mornings and afternoons to allow school busses through; POV traffic may utilize the gate also during these times. RAMPS and Mongooses are on-going.
- e. PAO: The Yukon Quest start is 9 Feb 03, at Whitehouse. The mushers should start arriving in Fairbanks approximately 10 days later. The Ice Park will be open 5-15 Mar 03. The Winter Carnival is 7-16 Mar 03; Family Fun Day will be 8 Mar 03.
- f. Post Chaplain: The FWA National Prayer Breakfast is 5 Feb 03, 0630, LFC. You may get tickets from your CSM or the Chaplains.
- g. Commissary: The scholarship application deadline is 21 Feb 03; the applications must be turned into the commissary. We will be closed only on the following federal holidays: New Year's, Christmas, Thanksgiving, Memorial Day, and 4th of July.
- h. Post Safety: The number one killer each year is POV accidents. Flyer available on the up-to-date POV policy. Please brief all your soldiers on this updated policy as there are some changes in it especially in regards to motorcycles. Keep an eye on the children; make sure they dress for the weather.
- i. EO: The Black History/African-American Celebration will be 13 Feb 03, PFC, 1400. Our events are open to everyone soldiers, family members, DA civilians; please come.

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- j. OSC: The OSC scholarship forms will be available next week; approximately \$11,500 will be allocated this year for scholarships. The forms will be available at various locations on-and off-post or e-mail us at oscfwa@yahoo.com and we will e-mail you a form. The deadline for applications for our Spring Welfare Grants is 15 Mar 03; approximately \$5000 will be allocated this year for the grants.
- k. Arctic Light Elementary: Re-drawing boundaries: we need parents to be part of the input! NAEP Test: the Arctic Light 4th graders have been selected to take this test on 28 Jan 03, in the morning. Parent-teacher conferences are 24-28 Feb 03; contact your respective school(s) for dismissal times. Various upcoming Arctic Light events were briefed. Reminder: if you are withdrawing your child from Arctic Light we need two weeks notice.
 - 1. 267th Finance: Tax season is here; W-2s will be coming out.
- m. DENTAC: Flyer available on a kid's coloring contest. C/864th won the Dec 02 and the FY02 Dental Readiness awards.
- n. MEDDAC: Please dress your children properly; we are seeing more kids with cold weather injuries. Smallpox vaccinations: only medical personnel are receiving the vaccination at this time.
- o. 172d SIB: We are hosting a Leader's Social on 31 Jan 03, 1500, Ski Lodge. Military and DA civilians/spouses are invited. There will be discounted prices on lift tickets, etc.
- p. Post CSM: CWIs: Don't let the cold stop you from getting out there and enjoying Alaska. Dress accordingly. Be Careful. You cannot ride your snowmachines and 4-wheelers in the housing areas.
- q. Post CDR: Thank you to all for your support on CFC. The AER Campaign is 10 Mar 1 May 03; the goal is \$65,000.00. There will be AER keyworkers training sessions on 20-21 Feb 03; please get the names of your keyworkers to 1LT Flenaugh, 353-6884. The Tanana Valley Campus Culinary Arts Program is teaching its program at the LFC while their building is undergoing renovation. The Culinary Program hopes to start offering lunches for sale starting mid-late Feb 03. Tax season: the tax center opens 3 Feb 03, basement of the SJA building. Hours of operation will be 0900-1700 on Mon-Wed-Wed-Fri; 1300-2000 on Thursdays. Flyer was available on the new city ordinance in regards to DUIs/DWIs/no insurance/no license/etc. The Reserve Officers Association is offering a \$1000 Scholarship grant; no qualifications necessary for this scholarship. Go to www.troa.org to apply; deadline is 1 Mar 03, Noon EST. Various gifts courtesy of DCA were raffled off.
- r. Post XO: The NAF side of the workforce is always looking for employees; check them out. Watch out for the moose.

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s. Garrison Commander: In regards to the 22 Jan 03 POV Policy: follow it! The Chief of Staff of the Army is serious about this issue; we have to follow it.

- t. DCO: Moose: Watch out for them! There will be a Stryker display on post on 10 Mar 03, 0800-1730, Hangar 2. New presentations will start every 30 minutes except for 1130, 1200, and 1230
- u. CG: Watching our kids in this cold weather season: they are OUR kids. If you see a child not dressed properly, find mom and dad if need be. A Transformation Operation Order was issued in the past couple of weeks. This was the first time an OPLAN has been issued for Transformation. The planning phase is almost to an end and the resources phase is starting. Backbriefs and rehearsals have started. When 172d SIB comes back from JRTC then the physical part of the Transformation will begin. I will speak to the civilian workforce here at Ft Wainwright on 28 Jan 03 about this; I have just spoken with the Ft Richardson civilian workforce. We need to work together on this transformation. Thank you for everything you do up here. Spring is around the corner.
- 5. Adjournment: The meeting adjourned at 1130. The next CAC will be 21 Feb 03, 1030, Youth Center

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Post Commander

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